

I am in favor of the proposed change outlined in [Docket No. RSPA-03-14405 (HM-220F)] that would require an Eddy Current inspection of the neck and threads of an Aluminum Cylinders Manufactured of Aluminum Alloy 6351-T6 to be performed as part of a visual inspection which is performed at the time of periodic requalification.

In addition, I would propose that individuals who perform visual cylinder inspections and eddy current testing be required to undergo formal, documented, function specific training and receive a unique inspector's id number upon successful completion of training.

While the scuba industry has a self imposed "annual" visual cylinder inspection interval, there are no established training requirements for individuals who perform these annual cylinder inspections. As such, there is a wide degree of varying skill levels demonstrated by individual inspectors. To further reduce the risk of injury or fatality, I think it prudent those persons in the scuba industry who perform annual inspections as well as fill station operators be required to undergo a recognized, formal training course.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

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